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Your recent request for information is replicated below, together with our response.

## The number of times the Operational Support Unit has been deployed at pro-Palestine protests and other pro-Palestine events in Scotland between October 2023 and October 2024.

In response to your request I would advise that we have interpreted “deployed” as attended and would advise that there are 34 recorded incidents where the Operational Support Unit have been in attendance at a pro-Palestine event or protest between 1 October 2023 and 30 October 2024. Please note that for many of these incidents the Operational Support Unit were there to carry out passing patrols and as community reassurance etc.

If you require any further assistance, please contact us quoting the reference above.

You can request a review of this response within the next 40 working days by [email](mailto:foi@scotland.police.uk) or by letter (Information Management - FOI, Police Scotland, Clyde Gateway, 2 French Street, Dalmarnock, G40 4EH). Requests must include the reason for your dissatisfaction.

If you remain dissatisfied following our review response, you can appeal to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner (OSIC) within 6 months - [online](https://www.foi.scot/appeal), by [email](mailto:enquiries@foi.scot) or by letter (OSIC, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, KY16 9DS).

Following an OSIC appeal, you can appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law only.

This response will be added to our [Disclosure Log](http://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log) in seven days' time.

Every effort has been taken to ensure our response is as accessible as possible. If you require this response to be provided in an alternative format, please let us know.